

California Regional Water Quality Control Board

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Announcing a Public Workshop To discuss a proposed plan to eliminate water quality problems due to SEDIMENT IN SONOMA CREEK

And enhance habitat for steelhead in the watershed

and

A Public Scoping Meeting for development of proposed amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan, San Francisco Bay Basin

Staff of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (Water Board), will hold a public workshop to discuss findings related to sediment pollution of Sonoma Creek, and proposed measures to improve water quality and enhance habitat for native fish. A preliminary project report is available online at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/TMDL/sonomacrksedimenttmdl.htm.

In the coming months the Water Board will propose amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan, San Francisco Bay Basin that will:

- 1. Establish a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for sediment in Sonoma Creek
- 2. Establish an implementation plan to achieve and support the TMDL, and a related plan to enhance stream habitat conditions

Immediately following the workshop, Water Board staff will open a public scoping meeting, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code §21000 et seq., CEQA), on this project. At this time, staff will discuss and take comments from the public on the scope and content of the project and its potential environmental impacts. The Water Board's basin planning program is a "certified regulatory program" under CEQA Guidelines (see Title 14 Cal. Code of Regulations, §15251[g]).

Date: Wednesday, October 3, 2007

Time: 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Location: Sonoma Community Center, Room 110

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